

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111  
U.S. Application No. 09/987,358  
Attorney Docket No. Q67188

**REMARKS**

Applicants add claims 12-13 herein. Therefore, claims 1-13 are pending in the application and claims 1-11 have been examined. Claims 1-4 and 6-9 are allowed. However, claims 5 and 10-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicants overcome the § 112, second paragraph, rejections, thereby placing the application in condition for immediate allowance with claims 1-13, as follows.

Claim 5 stands rejected under § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Claims 10 and 11 are rejected based on their dependency from claim 5. In particular, the Examiner rejects claim 5 because of the phrase “such as” in line 3 thereof. Applicants amend claim 5 to remove the objectionable language.

Additionally, Applicants add new claims 12-13, which recite features previously recited in claim 5. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 12 and 13 are patentable at least by virtue of their dependency.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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